

## Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA

## § 29.3601

### § 29.3565 Unstemmed.

A form of tobacco, including whole leaf and leaf scrap, from which the stems or midribs have not been removed.

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### § 29.3566 Variegated.

Any leaf of which 20 percent or more of its leaf surface is off brown, grayish, mottled, or bleached and does not blend with the normal colors of the type. (See Rules 17, § 29.3618; 18, § 29.3619.)

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### § 29.3567 Wet (W).

Any sound tobacco containing excessive moisture to the extent that it is in unsafe- or doubtful-keeping order. Wet applies to any tobacco which is not damaged but which is likely to damage if treated in the customary manner. (See Rule 22, § 29.3623.) (For extremely wet or watered tobacco, see rule 24, § 29.3625.)

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### § 29.3568 Width.

The relative breadth of a tobacco leaf expressed in relation to its length. Width, as an element of quality, does not apply to tobacco in strip form. (See Elements of Quality, § 29.3586.)

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#### ELEMENTS OF QUALITY

### § 29.3586 Elements of quality and degrees of each element.

These standardized words or terms are used to describe tobacco quality and to assist in interpreting grade specifications. Tobacco attributes or characteristics which constitute quality are designated as elements of quality. The range within each element is expressed by the use of words or terms designated as degrees. These several degrees are arranged to show their relative value, but the actual value of each degree varies with type, group, and grade.

Elements			Degrees	
Maturity .....	Imma- ture.	Under- ripe.	Mature	Ripe.
Body .....	.....	Thin .....	Medium	Heavy.
Leaf structure .....	.....	Close .....	Firm .....	Open.
Leaf surface .....	.....	Rough .....	Crepy .....	Smooth.
Oil .....	.....	Lean .....	Oily .....	Rich.
Finish .....	.....	Dull .....	Normal	Clear.
Color intensity .....	.....	Pale .....	Mod- erate.	Deep.
Elasticity .....	.....	Inelastic	Semiel- astic.	Elastic.
Width .....	.....	Narrow	Normal	Spread- y.
Uniformity .....	.....	( <sup>1</sup> ) .....	( <sup>1</sup> ) .....	( <sup>1</sup> ).
Injury tolerance .....	.....	( <sup>1</sup> ) .....	( <sup>1</sup> ) .....	( <sup>1</sup> ).

<sup>1</sup> Expressed in percentage.

#### SIZES

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### § 29.3591 Standard tobacco sizes.<sup>1</sup>

Inches	Sizes
12-20 .....	1
20-28 .....	2
Over 28 .....	3

<sup>1</sup> The application of sizes is governed by the major portion of the lot or package.

#### RULES

### § 29.3601 Rules.

The application of §§ 29.3501 to 29.3568, § 29.3591, §§ 29.3646 to 29.3648, §§ 29.3650 to 29.3652 and 29.3681 shall be in accordance with the following rules.

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